

Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Dr. Mary Brendtro has served as a model of excellence in nursing for students and professional colleagues in South Dakota for the past 39 years; and,

Whereas, Dr. Brendtro has provided statewide leadership in health policy, served on the South Dakota Nurses' Association (SDNA) Board of Directors, chaired the SDNA Government Relations Committee, served as Vice-Chair of the South Dakota Nurses' Foundation, and served as state coordinator for the Nurses' Strategic Action Team (N-STAT), volunteered as a lobbyist for SDNA, and was a delegate to the ANA House of Delegates; and,

Whereas, Dr. Brendtro has served as a consultant and reviewer for the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and as a volunteer intern in the office of Senator Tom Daschle in Washington, D.C.; and,

Whereas, Dr. Brendtro has presented and published regionally and nationally, sharing her expertise in public policy and legislation, nursing education and recruitment, ethics in health care, and the nursing faculty shortage; and,

Whereas, Dr. Brendtro has played a major role in the development and teaching of the graduate nursing program at Augustana College, as well as having served as the director of graduate studies at Augustana College; and,

Whereas, Dr. Brendtro has modeled community service throughout her career, demonstrating exemplary nursing contributions to the community, and will leave a host of colleagues who will miss her very much; and,

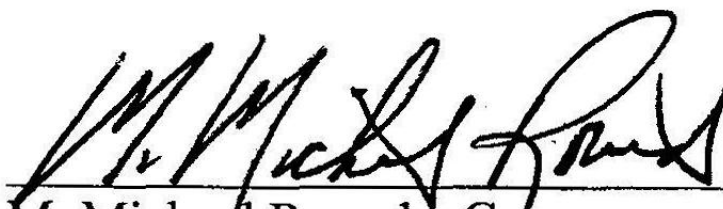
Whereas, Dr. Brendtro will retire from her official position as Professor of Nursing at Augustana College in May 2005:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 13, 2005, as

DR. MARY KELLY BRENDTRO DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-seventh Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State

